

making compensation to the state for the use of the part remaining clear, but before the said intendant took any order therein, his powers as intendant ceased by law.

Your committee are therefore of opinion, that the said Thomas Miles should be released from the execution issued against him as aforesaid, and that the said Abraham Britten and his securities should be released from the said bond, upon making compensation as aforesaid, and that directions should be given to the western shore treasurer for that purpose.

All which is submitted to the honourable house.

By order,

A. GOLDER, clk.

Which was read.

A petition from Henry Shryock, collector of Washington county for the year 1785, and praying a further time of twelve months to complete his collection, was preferred, read, and referred to the committee appointed on petitions of a similar nature.

A petition from sundry inhabitants of Baltimore county, praying an act may pass to extend the power and jurisdiction of magistrates, in such manner, and with such stay of execution and liberty of appeals, as may be thought proper, and to allow magistrates reasonable fees, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. T. Johnson, Mr. M'Mechen and Mr. Owings, to consider and report thereon.

Mr. Ridgely, from the committee, brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker the following report :

THE committee to whom was referred the petition of sundry inhabitants of Baltimore, commonly called The Precincts, beg leave to report, that they have examined the allegations therein contained, and find them true; that the said persons are without the limits of Baltimore-town, as ascertained by acts of assembly; that the street commissioners have lately endeavoured to impose certain taxes and duties on them for the use of Baltimore-town; that by the act for the valuation of property, they are thrown into the town district, and have their property valued by the town commissioners of the tax, although they are not suffered to vote at the town election; that they are not desirous of becoming part of Baltimore-town, as they are not in circumstances to be subject to the town taxes. Your committee are of opinion, that the precincts aforesaid ought to be considered and taken as part of Baltimore county, and not within the limits of said town, and that their property be valued by the county commissioners of the tax, and that they be reinstated in the same manner as they were before the passage of said law. All which is submitted to the honourable house.

By order,

J. GASSAWAY, clk.

Which was read.

The bill for the benefit of Elizabeth Wilson, of Saint Mary's county, and the resolution respecting James Taylor, sent to the senate by Mr. Henry.

The bill to empower the justices of Charles county to levy on the inhabitants of said county a sum of money for the relief of Francis Speake, and the resolution respecting the collectors, sent to the senate by Mr. Hopewell.

A petition from Benjamin Boyce, of Harford county, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. M'Mechen, Mr. Love and Mr. Faw, to consider and report thereon.

Mr. Faw, from the committee, brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker the following report :

YOUR committee, to whom was referred the petition of Norman Bruce, of Frederick county, beg leave to report, that they have taken the subject matter into consideration, and from the vouchers produced are of opinion, the facts therein set forth are true, and that the prayer of the petitioner ought to be granted, and that a bill ought to pass, empowering the said petitioner to convey the lands sold by Thomas Welsh, to the different persons, and receive the money, agreeably to the assignment of the said Welsh's bond to him. All which is submitted to the honourable house.

By order,

A. GOLDER, clk.

Which was read.

A petition from the associators, tradesmen and manufacturers, of Baltimore, praying an encouragement of manufactures in this state, was preferred, read, and referred, with the petitions of a similar nature referred from the last to the present session, to Mr. De Butts, Mr. J. Johnson, Mr. B. Worthington, Mr. Gantt, Mr. Turner, Mr. Owings, Mr. Stevens, Mr. Stewart, Mr. Pattison, Mr. R. Bond, Mr. W. Bowie, Mr. Jennings, Mr. Paca, Mr. J. Mitchell, Mr. T. Johnson, Mr. Norris, Mr. Hardcastle, Mr. M'Mechen, Mr. Funk and Mr. Oneale, to consider and report thereon.

Daniel Carroll, Esquire, from the senate, delivers to Mr. Speaker a letter from the treasurer of the western shore of the 4th instant, enclosing an opinion of the judges of the general court respecting executions against purchasers of confiscated property; also a letter to the governor and council, and their answer; and a memorial from John and Jonas Clapham, attornies in fact for the surviving partners of the late Capel and Osgood Hanburys, and Hanbury and Lloyd.

The letter from the treasurer of the western shore, and the enclosures, were referred to Mr. Paca, Mr. T. Johnson, Mr. Jennings, Mr. M'Mechen, Mr. W. Bowie, Mr. Ridgely and Mr. Joshua Seney, to consider and report thereon.

A petition from the free citizens of Prince-George's county, praying a stay of execution for public dues until the spring, was preferred, read, and referred to the committee appointed on petitions of a similar nature.

Mr. M'Mechen, from the committee, brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker the following report :

THE committee to whom was referred the petition of Nicholas Tschudy, of Baltimore-town, beg leave to report, that they have examined the allegations therein contained, and find them true, and are of opinion that the auditor-general be directed to pass the said Tschudy's account in the usual manner,